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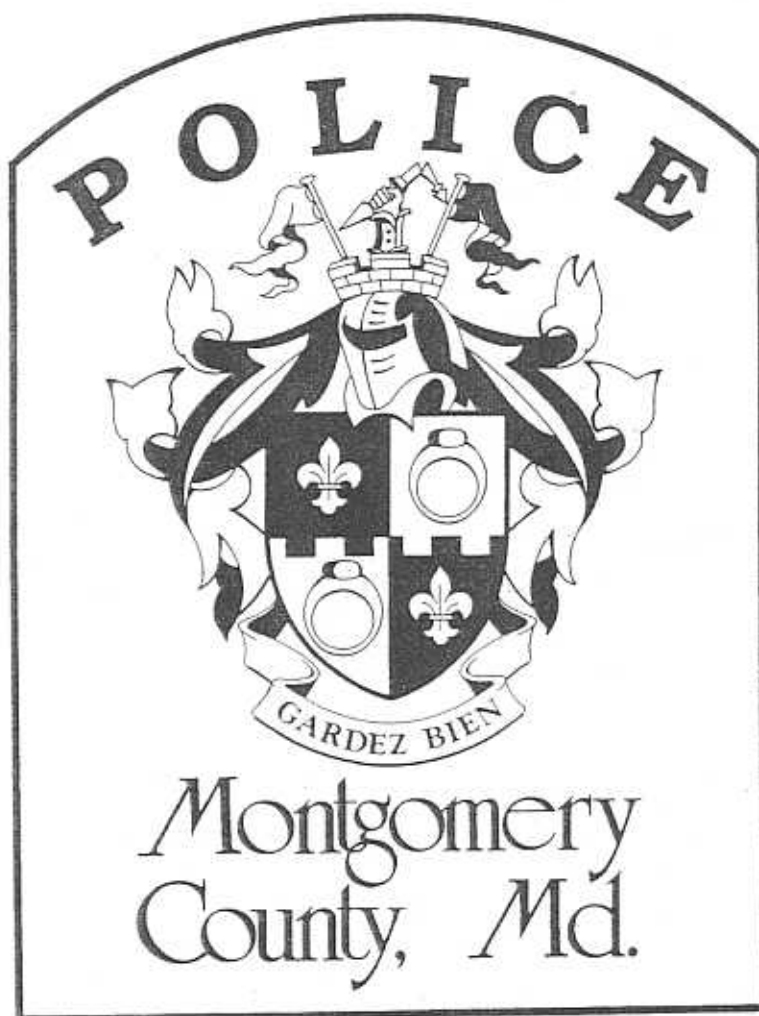
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Year End Crime Report
2001

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Montgomery County 2001 Crime Statistics Reveal Dramatic Rise in Hate Crimes

Montgomery County Police Chief Charles A. Moose today announced a modest increase in overall crime, with a slight increase in total Part I crimes within the County last year. Part I crimes are defined as murders, rapes, robberies, aggravated assaults, burglaries, larcenies, and auto thefts.

In making today's announcement, however, Chief Moose related that: "Montgomery County experienced a 64% increase in reported hate crimes and incidents in 2001." This represents the first noteworthy increase in five years. In particular, religious hate crimes increased by 121%, from 16 in 2000, to 42 in 2001. Moose stated: "There is no place in our society for these types of crimes where people are victimized merely because of their religious beliefs or ethnicity. We take these incidents very seriously and investigate them vigorously."

The Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) statistics for 2001 when compared to the same period the previous year, revealed:

PART I CRIMES INCREASED BY 1%

- Murders increased 58% (from 12 to 19)
- Rape incidents decreased by 29% (from 168 to 120)
- Robberies increased 16% (from 708 to 818)
- Aggravated Assaults increased 3% (from 805 to 827)
- Burglaries decreased by 2% (from 3,623 to 3,539)
- Larcenies decreased by 1% (from 18,318 to 18,226)
- Auto thefts increased by 15% (from 2,730 to 3,150)

PART II CRIMES INCREASED BY 9% **

Part II crimes are defined as minor assaults, arson, forgery-counterfeiting, bad checks, embezzlement, stolen property, vandalism, weapons, prostitution, sex offenses, Controlled Dangerous Substance laws, gambling, family offenses, juvenile offenses, liquor law violations, disorderly conduct, suicide, non-traffic offenses, traffic offenses, miscellaneous calls, deer complaints, hunting complaints, and traffic accidents.

TOTAL CRIME INCREASED BY 6% **

Note: For reporting purposes, arson and narcotics-related incidents were not included in these totals.

Chief Moose, while pleased to note the continued decrease in rape incidents, expressed concern about the continued increase in overall crime especially for robberies and auto thefts. Moose commented: "Montgomery County is still a safe community. However, there is much more that we, as a community, must do to keep our neighborhoods safe." Moose reminded citizens to continue to keep their eyes and ears open and report any suspicious activities to the police.

Chief Moose continued: "Auto thefts increased by fifteen percent, in spite of our continued campaign to educate motorists to lock their vehicles and not to leave them running and unattended."

Finally, Chief Moose again reemphasized the importance of maintaining the county's strong commitment to traffic safety. Montgomery County has made it a high priority to address traffic and pedestrian safety through a coordinated response involving education, enforcement, and engineering improvements. Moose stated: "We have, and will continue to implement the recommendations of the County Executive's Blue Ribbon Panel, and will work in coordination with other County agencies and the community to keep traffic and pedestrian safety in the forefront."

Note: A complete crime report is available at our website at
www.co.mo.md.us/services/police or a copy may be picked up at
Montgomery County Police Headquarters, Media Services Division, 2350
Research Boulevard, Rockville, Maryland 20850.

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Comparison Study of Offenses
January 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

	2001 Monthly	2000 Monthly	% Change	2001 Year To Date	2000 Year To Date	% Change
Murder	1	0	N/C	19	12	58.3%
Forcible Rape	11	14	-21.4%	120	168	-28.6%
Stranger	(1)	(4)		(24)	(44)	
Known	(10)	(10)		(96)	(124)	
Robbery	78	67	16.4%	818	708	15.5%
Commercial	(12)	(20)		(159)	(151)	
Non - Commercial	(66)	(47)		(659)	(557)	
Aggravated Assault	59	61	-3.3%	827	805	2.7%
Burglary	364	232	56.9%	3,539	3,623	-2.3%
Residence	(244)	(139)		(2,468)	(2,388)	
Commercial	(111)	(86)		(979)	(1,154)	
School	(9)	(7)		(92)	(81)	
Larceny	1,680	1,443	16.4%	18,226	18,318	-0.5%
Shoplifting	(272)	(217)		(2,581)	(2,620)	
Veh Related Theft	(754)	(579)		(7,932)	(8,157)	
om Buildings	(400)	(443)		(4,769)	(4,679)	
All Other Larcenies	(254)	(204)		(2,944)	(2,862)	
Auto Theft	250	233	7.3%	3,150	2,730	15.4%
Part I Total	2,443	2,050	19.2%	26,699	26,364	1.3%
*Crime Against Persons	71	75	-5.3%	966	985	-1.9%
*Crime Against Property	2,372	1,975	20.1%	25,733	25,379	1.4%
Minor Assaults	437	409	6.8%	5,845	5,928	-1.4%
Vandalism	578	430	34.4%	6,794	6,320	7.5%
Weapons	27	30	-10.0%	355	336	5.7%
Family Offense	41	33	24.2%	478	387	23.5%
Juvenile Offense	125	130	-3.8%	1,880	1,657	13.5%
Disorderly Conduct	1,123	912	23.1%	14,657	13,730	6.8%
All Other Part II Offenses	882	710	24.2%	10,560	8,953	17.9%
Selected Part II Total	3,213	2,654	21.1%	40,569	37,311	8.7%
SELECTED CRIME	5,656	4,704	20.2%	67,268	63,675	5.6%
Assaults on Police Officer	32	29	10.3%	366	371	-1.3%

* N/C - not calculable

* Please notes the adjustment of rape offenses for the year 2000 affects the Part I and Total Crime statistics

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Comparison Study of Arrests
January 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

Year To Date Criminal Arrest	2001	2000	% + -
Murder	16	6	166.7%
Rape	57	46	23.9%
Robbery	259	280	-7.5%
Aggravated Assault	399	393	1.5%
Burglary	547	565	-3.2%
Larceny	1,932	2,121	-8.9%
Auto Theft	481	496	-3.0%
Part I Total	3,691	3,907	-5.5%
Minor Assaults	1,172	1,195	-1.9%
Arson	25	24	4.2%
Vandalism	186	197	-5.6%
Weapons	313	334	-6.3%
Narcotic Drug Laws	2,147	2,295	-6.4%
Family Offense	39	28	39.3%
Juvenile Offense	68	65	4.6%
Disorderly Conduct	182	161	13.0%
All Other Part II Offenses	3,973	4,126	-3.7%
Part II Total	8,105	8,425	-3.8%
TOTAL CRIME	11,796	12,332	-4.3%
*C/A/Persons	472	445	6.1%
*C/A/Property	3,219	3,462	-7.0%

Criminal Arrests	2001	2000
Total Current Month	902	959
Total Year to Date	11,796	12,332
Male Current Month	751	767
Total Year to Date	9,700	9,986
Female Current Month	151	192
Total Year to Date	2,096	2,346
Under 18 Current Month	141	180
Total Under 18 YTD	1,982	2,186

Criminal Citations Issued	2001	2000
Total Current Month	393	350
Total Year to Date	4,662	4,645

Residents Arrests	2001	2000
Part I Classes	56.2%	59.5%
Robbery	64.1%	74.3%
Burglary	68.0%	71.3%
Auto Theft	56.1%	57.3%
Narcotics	73.5%	75.3%
Non-residents Arrests	2001	2000
Part I Classes	43.8%	40.5%
Robbery	35.9%	25.7%
Burglary	32.0%	28.7%
Auto Theft	43.9%	42.7%
Narcotics	26.5%	24.7%

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PART I OFFENSES CLOSURE RATES COMPARISON STUDY
January 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

PART I CLASSES		Monthly Offenses	Monthly Cases Cleared	Clearance Rate %	Year To Date Offenses	Year To Date Cases Cleared	Clearance Rate %
Murder	2001	1	*3	(300.0%)	19	14	(73.7%)
	2000	0	0	(0.0%)	12	7	(58.3%)
Rape	2001	11	4	(36.4%)	120	79	(65.8%)
	2000	14	6	(42.9%)	168	72	(42.9%)
Robbery	2001	78	18	(23.1%)	818	214	(26.2%)
	2000	67	10	(14.9%)	708	231	(32.6%)
Aggravated Assault	2001	59	41	(69.5%)	827	486	(58.8%)
	2000	61	37	(60.7%)	805	573	(71.2%)
Burglary	2001	364	50	(13.7%)	3,539	626	(17.7%)
	2000	232	36	(15.5%)	3,623	741	(20.5%)
Larceny	2001	1,680	285	(17.0%)	18,226	2,922	(16.0%)
	2000	1,443	236	(16.4%)	18,318	3,434	(18.7%)
Auto Theft	2001	250	49	(19.6%)	3,150	450	(14.3%)
	2000	233	30	(12.9%)	2,730	510	(18.7%)
Total Part I	2001	2,443	450	(18.4%)	26,699	4,791	(17.9%)
	2000	2,050	355	(17.3%)	26,364	5,568	(21.1%)

* Reflects closure from previous months

Motor Vehicle Collisions Study Report
January 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS HANDLED BY MCP	2001		2000	
	Monthly	Year to Date	Monthly	Year to Date
Fatal Collisions	7	55	9	51
Alcohol Related Fatal Collisions	1	15	1	5
Injury Collisions	467	5,497	476	5,121
Alcohol Related Injury Collisions	28	259	19	253
Property Damage Collisions	681	7,883	780	7,536
Hit & Run Collisions	168	1,998	225	2,147
All Collisions	1,155	13,435	1,265	12,708

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS FATALITIES	2001		2000	
	Monthly	Year To Date	Monthly	Year To Date
Operators	4	31	3	20
Passengers	2	17	3	12
Pedestrians	2	11	4	16
On Pedalcycles	0	0	0	0
On Motorcycles	0	3	0	4
All Victims	8	62	10	52

MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS PERSONS INJURED	2001		2000	
	Monthly	Year To Date	Monthly	Year To Date
Occupants (inc. Operator & Passenger)	623	7,624	609	7,069
Pedestrians	48	427	44	350
Pedalcyclists(bicycles)	0	68	1	55
Motorcyclists	2	118	4	70

DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED ARRESTS	2001		2000	
	Monthly	Year To Date	Monthly	Year To Date
	372	3,497	435	3,887

TRAFFIC CITATIONS ISSUED	2001		2000	
	Monthly	Year To Date	Monthly	Year To Date
	6,696	101,031	5,968	84,937

*The traffic citation total does not include the Driving Under the Influence citations

December 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

	1st District: Rockville			2nd District: Bethesda			3rd District: Silver Spring			4th District: Wheaton			5th District: Germantown			6th District: Mont Village		
	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%
Murder	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	1	N/A	N/C
Rape	1	2	-50.0%	1	2	-50.0%	2	3	-33.3%	2	3	-33.3%	1	2	-50.0%	2	N/A	N/C
Robbery	6	6	0.0%	6	12	-50.0%	32	22	45.5%	22	11	100.0%	19	16	18.8%	10	N/A	N/C
Agg. Assault	4	3	33.3%	6	4	50.0%	18	19	-5.3%	13	13	0.0%	8	22	-18.2%	8	N/A	N/C
Burglary	57	42	35.7%	70	49	42.9%	72	53	35.8%	66	32	106.3%	65	56	76.8%	65	N/A	N/C
Larceny	236	259	-8.9%	335	322	4.0%	339	250	35.6%	285	246	15.9%	366	164	32.5%	321	N/A	N/C
Auto Theft	25	27	-7.4%	37	32	15.6%	82	69	18.8%	55	54	1.9%	51	19	0.0%	32	N/A	N/C
Part I	329	339	-2.9%	455	421	8.1%	545	416	31.0%	443	359	23.4%	515	417	30.3%	439	N/A	N/C
Part II	576	514	12.1%	398	321	24.0%	692	624	10.9%	670	511	31.1%	878	695	26.7%	695	N/A	N/C
Total Crime	905	853	6.1%	853	742	15.0%	1,237	1,040	18.9%	1,113	870	27.9%	1,393	1,134	28.0%	1,134	N/A	N/C

Cumulative — January 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

	1st District: Rockville			2nd District: Bethesda			3rd District: Silver Spring			4th District: Wheaton			5th District: Germantown			6th District: Mont Village		
	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%
Murder	3	3	0.0%	3	0	N/C	6	2	200.0%	3	2	50.0%	1	5	-20.0%	3	N/A	N/C
Rape	13	25	-48.0%	11	18	-38.9%	28	38	-26.3%	21	36	-41.7%	19	51	-7.8%	28	N/A	N/C
Robbery	106	94	12.8%	84	68	23.5%	255	202	26.2%	175	173	1.2%	54	171	15.8%	144	N/A	N/C
Agg. Assault	87	82	6.1%	84	78	7.7%	205	161	27.3%	172	179	-3.9%	104	305	-8.5%	175	N/A	N/C
Burglary	528	617	-14.4%	660	716	-6.6%	764	734	4.1%	613	586	4.6%	398	970	-0.5%	567	N/A	N/C
Larceny	2,837	2,991	-5.1%	3,486	3,715	-6.2%	3,579	3,523	1.6%	3,081	3,178	-3.1%	1,773	4,911	6.0%	3,470	N/A	N/C
Auto Theft	283	284	-0.4%	374	318	17.6%	1003	923	8.7%	623	626	-0.5%	274	579	49.7%	593	N/A	N/C
Part I	3,857	4,090	-5.8%	4,711	4,913	-4.1%	5,840	5,583	4.6%	4,688	4,780	-1.9%	2,623	6,992	8.7%	4,980	N/A	N/C
Part II	7,507	6,657	12.8%	4,854	4,302	12.8%	9,030	8,051	12.2%	8,488	7,699	10.2%	5,609	13,143	8.9%	8,702	N/A	N/C
Total Crime	11,364	10,753	5.7%	9,565	9,215	3.8%	14,870	13,634	9.1%	13,176	12,479	5.6%	8,232	20,135	8.0%	13,682	N/A	N/C

Please note the percentage change calculation of the 6th district is based on the total of the 5th and 6th districts offenses to match the previous Germantown District boundary.

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ARRESTS
BY DISTRICT

December 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

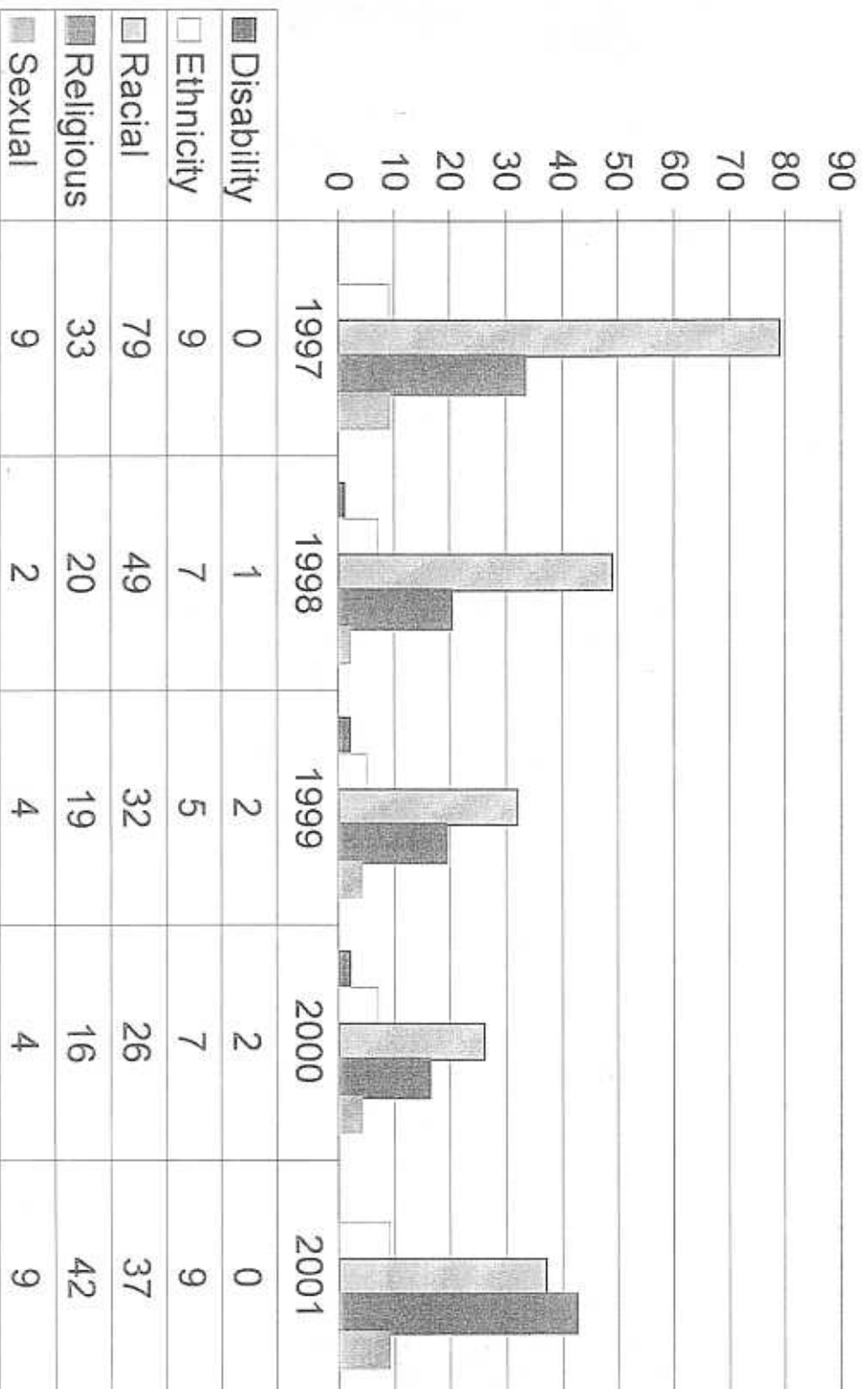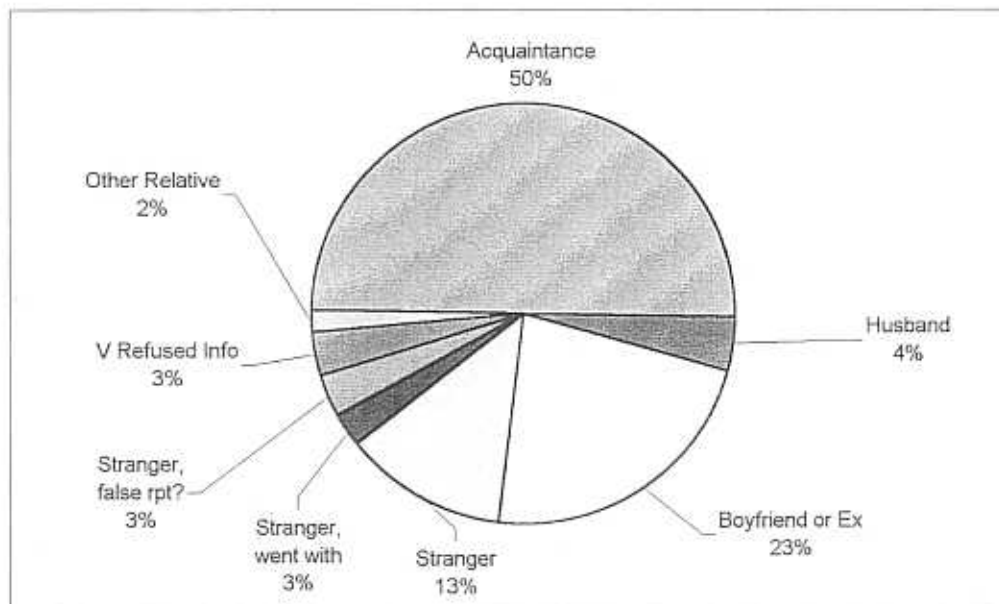|	*1st District: Rockville			2nd District: Bethesda			3rd District: Silver Spring			4th District: Wheaton			5th District: Germantown			6th District: Mont Village		
	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%
Murder	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	1	-100.0%	1	0	N/C	1	N/A	N/C
Rape	2	1	100.0%	0	0	0.0%	1	1	0.0%	0	1	-100.0%	0	0	0.0%	1	N/A	N/C
Robbery	7	5	40.0%	4	0	N/C	6	9	-33.3%	10	5	100.0%	6	7	-14.3%	4	N/A	N/C
Agg. Assault	5	6	-16.7%	7	2	250.0%	9	17	-47.1%	7	3	133.3%	6	12	-50.0%	4	N/A	N/C
Burglary	11	8	37.5%	3	8	-62.5%	6	17	-64.7%	8	0	N/C	11	12	-8.3%	5	N/A	N/C
Larceny	34	40	-15.0%	32	31	3.2%	36	36	0.0%	43	24	79.2%	37	35	5.7%	20	N/A	N/C
Auto Theft	5	6	-16.7%	2	1	100.0%	8	11	-27.3%	7	6	16.7%	11	9	22.2%	2	N/A	N/C
Part I	64	66	-3.0%	48	42	14.3%	66	91	-27.5%	75	39	92.3%	58	75	0.0%	37	N/A	N/C
Part II	232	239	-2.9%	35	52	-32.7%	139	155	-10.3%	61	49	24.5%	151	151	-29.1%	49	N/A	N/C
Total Crime	296	305	-3.0%	83	94	-11.7%	205	246	-16.7%	136	88	54.5%	226	226	-19.5%	86	N/A	N/C

Cumulative — January 1 - December 31, 2001 - 2000

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	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%	2001	2000	%
Murder	7	2	250.0%	2	0	N/C	3	3	0.0%	1	0	N/C	2	1	200.0%	1	N/A	N/C
Rape	24	16	50.0%	3	3	0.0%	9	7	28.6%	11	8	37.5%	7	12	-16.7%	3	N/A	N/C
Robbery	63	56	12.5%	22	27	-18.5%	70	76	-7.9%	51	61	-16.4%	68	77	-11.7%	47	N/A	N/C
Agg. Assault	69	99	-30.3%	38	32	18.8%	118	96	22.9%	59	61	-3.3%	68	62	9.5%	59	N/A	N/C
Burglary	103	142	-27.5%	60	78	-23.1%	124	84	47.6%	94	104	-9.6%	107	101	5.7%	29	N/A	N/C
Larceny	366	501	-26.9%	402	406	-1.0%	425	453	-6.2%	316	317	0.3%	421	444	-5.2%	229	N/A	N/C
Auto Theft	103	94	9.6%	38	46	-17.4%	107	162	-34.0%	110	92	19.6%	102	85	20.6%	54	N/A	N/C
Part I	735	910	-19.2%	565	592	-4.6%	856	881	-2.8%	644	643	0.2%	469	469	1.1%	422	N/A	N/C
Part II	2,998	3,356	-10.7%	618	545	13.4%	1,688	1,599	5.6%	975	1,036	-5.9%	881	881	-3.3%	745	N/A	N/C
Total Crime	3,733	4,266	-12.5%	1,183	1,137	4.0%	2,544	2,480	2.6%	1,619	1,679	-3.6%	1,550	2,770	-1.9%	1,167	N/A	N/C

Verified Hate Crime Totals by Year

	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Disability	0	1	2	2	0
Ethnicity	9	7	5	7	9
Racial	79	49	32	26	37
Religious	33	20	19	16	42
Sexual	9	2	4	4	9

2001 Rape Details

Count	Relationship
60	Aq or otherwise known (co-worker, classmate, neighbor, mutual aq, etc.)
19	Boyfriend
1	Brother/Stepbrother
8	Ex-Boyfriend
5	Husband
1	Other Relative (cousin by marriage)
15	Stranger
3	Stranger/Just met & accompanied (such as at a bar, party)
4	Stranger Alleged/Suspected false report
4	Victim Refused to Elaborate
120	*Total*

Acquaintance 50%
Other Relative 2%
Husband 4%
V Refused Info 3%
Stranger, false rpt? 3%
Stranger, went with 3%
Stranger 13%
Boyfriend or Ex 23%

OTHER DETAILS

62% of reports involved adult victims (74 events)
38% of reports involved juvenile victims (46 events)

12% of reports were for events that occurred in a prior year (14 events)

19% of reports indicate that alcohol or drug use precipitated the sex assault (23 events)

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